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1. CONTINUING STUDY OF MISSION 1015-2 REVEALS TWO ITEMS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THE MYS MELOVOY AREA SOUTH OF FORT SHEV-CHENKO, USSR, AT APPROXIMATELY 43-35N 51-17E. THE FIRST IS A LARGE EXCAVATION FOR A BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED. THIS COULD BE THE SITE OF THE NUCLEAR REACTOR REPORTEDLY BEING BUILT NEAR THE CASPIAN SEA FOR DESALINIZATION OF SEA WATER. SCARRING AT THE SITE OF THE EXCAVATION WAS VISIBLE ON

2. THE SECOND ITEM IS A 1,000 BY 100-FOOT (APPROX) HOLE APPARENTLY BLASTED OUT WITH EXPLOSIVES AS THE FIRST STEP IN MAKING A CANAL. THIS COULD BE THE SITE OF THE SEISMIC DISTURBANCE DETECTED ON 29 SEPTEMBER 1964. COORDINATES GIVEN BY WERE 43-54N

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51-24E, APPROXIMATELY 20 NAUTICAL MILES (NM) NNE OF THIS SITE.

A CHECK OF [REDACTED] REVEALED ACTIVITY
AT THIS SITE CONSISTING OF SMALL, CLOSELY SPACED SCARS, APPARENTLY
FOR THE PLACEMENT OF EXPLOSIVE CHARGES. THE DITCH IS LOCATED
BETWEEN THE EXCAVATION DESCRIBED ABOVE AND THE SHORE OF THE CASPIAN
SEA AND IS ORIENTED PERPENDICULAR TO THE COAST LINE. THERE ARE
SOME INDICATIONS THAT PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE FOR ANOTHER
EXPLOSION AT THE WESTERN END OF THE DITCH.

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